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—KO-I-BI—

It is you that changed me
who doesn t have
serious love to someone.
It is the one that
I feel not he
but the becoming it
uneasiness though it is glad to
come to like someone

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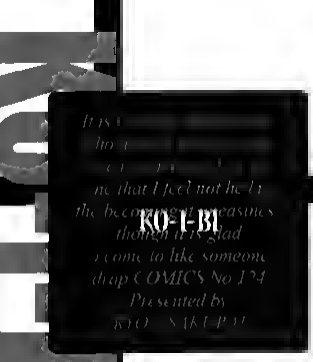
Mitsuura, generally acknowl edged to be a playboy has a casual, one-night stand with Shintarou and, before long ends up becoming serious?! ([Flaming Desires]) Mitsuura s friend, Akira, finds and brings home a young man one day?! ([Fire of Love]) Love prints of 5 stories of love-bitten men ♥



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貴方の手が好き。
貴方の笑顔が好き。
――貴方の何もかもが好き。

溢れ出してしまうこの気持ちと、
一体どうしたらいいんだろう？

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恋人

Nothing wrong with wearing a suit every now and then

"MAYBE YOU SHOULD CONSIDER GOING DOWN A DIFFERENT PATH", HUH
ASPIRING ACTORS ARE A DIME A DOZEN, TOO
STEP
HEY, YOU
YOU'VE BEEN THERE FOR SOMETHING LIKE THREE HOURS
In this world, when one door closes,
OR, WHAT, YOU'RE ACTUALLY A RUNAWAY?

...another one opens.

AH... SORRY...
THAT'S OKAY
I'M ALREADY 26, AND HERE I AM CHASING AFTER MY DREAMS
Why
EVERYONE AROUND ME LAUGHS.
MAYBE IT'S ABOUT TIME I GIVE UP.
Pat
Am I telling these things to someone I just met for the first time?
THEY CAN LAUGH IF THEY WANT TO,
BUT I HAPPEN TO LIKE GUYS LIKE YOU

Is he...an angel???

WHAT? YOU DON'T HAVE A PLACE TO STAY?!

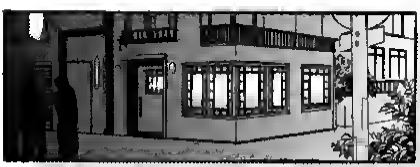
I GOT CHASED OUT OF MY FRIEND'S PLACE

It's like

this is fate.

WELL THEN, YOU CAN USE THE VACANT ROOM AT MY PLACE FOR A LITTLE WHILE

IT'S OVER THERE AT THE EATERY



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Hm? Age? I'm 30.

I'm Ishii Akira. Nice to meet you.

YOU'RE EATING TOO MUCH
AKIRA!
MORE, PLEASE ♡
HERE
THANK YOU!
yum~
WHAT WITH ALL THE LESSONS AND AUDITIONS DURING THE DAY AND THEN WORK AT NIGHT, I'M STARVING BY THE END
YOU SURE CAN EAT A LOT.

Wow~, I'm so happy~
smile
I FIGURED OUT BY DAY ONE THAT NORMAL SERVING SIZES WEREN'T ENOUGH FOR YOU.
ACK!
UH, DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU ALWAYS GIVE ME EXTRA BIG PORTIONS FOR MY MEALS?
THIS EATERY...
HM?
IT'S GOT NO SIGN AND NO MENUS AND IT'S PRETTY OUT OF THE WAY...
...SO UM...
Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha
Ha Ha
Ha Ha Ha
Hehehe
Did I say something weird?
IS IT REALLY ALRIGHT LETTING ME EAT FOR FREE?

STUPID, YOU EAT MY COOKING EVERYDAY SO YOU SHOULD KNOW HOW GOOD I AM.
Clatter
HERE DESSERT
I ENJOY HAVING YOU AROUND, TOO SO DON'T WORRY, GO AHEAD AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT
OKAY?
Smile
If I
always had
somebody like
this by me,
I'd hang
in there and
keep trying
no matter
what...

HEY, KOUTAROU!
HOW DID THE AUDITION THE OTHER DAY GO?
I GOT PAST THE SECOND ROUND! ALL THAT'S LEFT IS THE FINAL SELECTION.
Alright! Good going.
We've gotta celebrate somehow! Hmm, what should we do?
Is there anything you want?
KOUTAROU? HEY!
Kind and generous,
full of smiles,
and with a heart warmer than his cooking...

KOUTA-ROU!
?
slap slap
ARE YOU LISTENING?
What should I do?
? ? ?
WELL, HMM...
Aahh... he's gone...
DIZZY
AKIRA, WOULD YOU COME OVER HERE AND DRINK WITH ME? TO CELEBRATE.
...to ... my feelings...?
HUH? THAT'S ALL YOU WANT? ...THEN
WHY DON'T WE HAVE THE SECOND BEST WINE IN THE HOUSE?
IF YOU PASS THE FINAL AUDITION, I'LL OPEN THE STORE'S BEST WINE
JINGLE

Long time no see!
♡
B-kiss
WELCO-
Akira!
Wha-...?!
TA-DA
I WENT TO CHINA FOR BUSINESS AGAIN HERE PRESENTS
HELLO, MITSUIRA
THANKS
It's a little flagra♪
Cute isn't it?
have that kind of a relation-ship...?!
What is this...
D-D-D-...Do those two...

Um.
smile
WHERE IN CHINA WERE YOU? I'D LIKE TO HEAR MORE ABOUT IT.
I can't tell. I can't tell, but it seems suspicious.
Aaggghl! Shit! Get away from him! You're sticking too close to him!!
REALLY...
THAT'S RIGHT, I'M AKIRA'S GOOD FRIEND.
THIS IS KOUTAROU. HE'S STAYING AT MY PLACE.
Excuse me.
Hello
Jump
THIS IS MITSUURA, AN OBNOXIOUS REGULAR HERE.

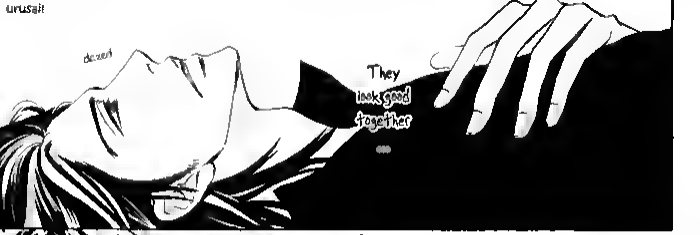
IS THAT RIGHT? I'VE BEEN HERE FOR QUITE A WHILE, BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE MET.
PSSSH
THAT'S TRUE. IT MUST BE FATE THAT WE'RE MEETING TONIGHT.
I GO TO CHINA A LOT FOR WORK
IF YOU'D LIKE, I COULD SHOW YOU AROUND THERE
WE'VE JUST MET I COULDN'T POSSIBLY.
NOT AT ALL.
WE COULD JUST GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER MUCH BETTER AFTER THIS

PLEASE STOP TEASING ME--
MITSUURA,
YOU'RE TOUCHING HIM TOO MUCH
WHAT'S THIS? JEALOUSY?
No!
Is Akira in love with Mitsuura?!
YOU'RE HERE TO EAT, AREN'T YOU?
THEN HERE YOU GO
Akira~, make that think you always make~.
~~OH, FINE.
I've finally realized ...

THANKS FOR THE FOOD
rattle
I... Akira really doesn't have any interest in me...
IT SEEMS I'M IN THE WAY SO I'LL HEAD BACK TO MY ROOM FIRST.
GOOD NIGHT.

I SEE~
AKIRA, IS THIS LOVE?
No! Don't think I'm anything like you!
SO THEN YOU WON'T MIND IF I REALLY DO GO AFTER HIM?
Si——lence
Ooh, this is good.
DO AS YOU PLEASE.

!?
Kouta-kun seemed like he hates for this team
Okay, no point in waiting!
frustration
DAMMIT!!


dozed
They look good together
...

KNOCK KNOCK
KOUTAROU, I'M COMING IN
CLOSE
Hi!
!?
Haaaaa
Akira was nice to me, but he only treated me like a child~

WHAT DO YOU WANT?!

WHY DON'T WE GO OUT TO EAT OR SOMETHING, JUST THE TWO OF US?
WE FINALLY GET TO MEET BUT DIDN'T GET MUCH OF A CHANCE TO TALK, SO
Why is this guy in my room?!
Why would I get friendly with my rival.
HUH?!
sho ck
!?
I'D LIKE TO GET TO KNOW YOU MUCH BETTER.
Oh~ my~ god~ !?

BAM
That's far enough!
UH-OH
!!
UMMM.. WHAT, EXACTLY, DO YOU MEAN...
stupefied
What're you trying to do in my house?
But~
Get out!!
AAAHH~ KOUTA~ROU.

EH? ME? NOT YOU?
IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU LEAVE THIS PLACE. OTHERWISE, YOU'LL BE EATEN ALIVE BY MITSUIRA.
YOU...
PANT PANT
HUH? ME?!
YEAH, SURE HE'S GAY. BUT YOU'RE THE ONE THAT'S HIS TYPE.
MITSUIRA'S REALLY UTILITARIAN, SO IT'S DANGEROUS FOR YOU...
A-- ANYWAY...

He said it was fun having me around,
we've shared laughs,
but for him, I'm nothing more than a free-loading charity case...
IT'LL GET PROBLEMATIC IF YOU STAY HERE TOO LONG
WHY ARE YOU SUDDENLY...
I SEE
I'LL LEAVE RIGHT NOW
I can't trouble him more than I already have...

I OWE YOU A LOT
THANKS FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE
I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ON TV.
WAS I NOTHING BUT A HASSLE ?!
...No.
...That's not it, it's not your fault. I'm the problem.
...CAN I COME EAT HERE AGAIN?

Dammit.
?
Why did he even bother helping me...
JUST TELL ME STRAIGHT OUT!
I'M STUPID SO I CAN'T FIGURE IT OUT ON MY OWN.
THIS IS THE PROBLEM.
IF YOU GET TOO PERSISTENT, I'LL ASSAULT YOU PROBABLY

Furusa!!
Eh?!
WHAT I THINK IT MEANS, RIGHT?
YOU KISSED ME, WHICH MEANS
I'M OKAY WITH BOTH MEN AND WOMEN.
Does that mean...
AKIRA, I THINK YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG IDEA
Uuu
BLUUUSH
NO—
pull
I REALIZE THAT I LIKE YOU A LOT,
I THOUGHT YOU WERE, TOO
BECAUSE I THOUGHT YOU WERE NORMAL... STRAIGHT
LIKE HE'D EAT YOU ALIVE. I THOUGHT I'D TRY TO PROTECT YOU
BUT IT SEEMED LIKE YOU WERE IN DANGER OF BEING TAKEN AWAY BY MITSUHIRA.

I'M IN LOVE WITH YOU!
TO BE HONEST, I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND AND I DON'T WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT
AHH...
NHH...
HEY, SO WHY AREN'T YOU REJECTING ME?
HHA... AH...
TH-... THAT'S BECAUSE ...

FOR NOW, JUST PUT YOURSELF IN MY HANDS AND LET YOURSELF GO
NH
NO
I'M NOT TRYING TO UPSET YOU
SORRY, I'M JUST KIDDING
Please run away from me...

Pull
AH-
KOUTA-ROU DIRTY TH ERE
STO
What I actually want is to hear the words from your own mouth
NO
and someday, I will
because I'll make you fall so in love with me, you'll be the one to ask for it.

I won't give up before then.
I won't let you go back.
You're the one who brought me home,
it's your fault.
AKIRA, I LOVE YOU.
The END

情炎
Flaming Desires

He was a cute little thing that flew off without ever coming down to me.
Ryouji Mitsuura (35) in the winter of his life.
BUT I'M STILL GOING TO GO EAT AT HIS PLACE
beep
Akira Ishii (30) restaurant owner
MORE LIKE
HE WAS TAKEN AWAY FROM ME BY THAT GUY
Agh, dammit~

EH?! REALLY ?!
THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE THAT
HA?
THAT IDIOT HE GAVE ME THE WRONG ADDRESS.
Koutarou?
KOUTAROU
♡
pat
?

DO YOU KNOW MY YOUNGER BROTHER?
...!?
Does that... mean...

the two of you are identical twins...?!

really do look exactly the same
Hmm ~ they
SHIN'S AN AESTHETICIAN ♪
MY FRIEND THE MANAGER AT MY LAST SALON HAS MOVED INTO THIS AREA,
SO I'LL BE STARTING WORK HERE AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS WEEK
DID YOU ARRIVE BY PLANE TODAY? YOU MUST BE TIRED..
I'LL MAKE SOMETHING GOOD SO BE SURE TO EAT AS MUCH AS YOU CAN
THANK YOU
?

stare
In fact,
he's not bad at all.
I'd say that he's even more beautiful.

AKIRA! THANKS FOR THE MEAL
I'M HEADING HOME NOW
COME AGAIN MITSUURA
WAIT!
WHERE'S YOUR PLACE?
IT'S THREE STOPS AWAY BUT I CAN'T MOVE IN UNTIL TOMORROW
I'M TWO STOPS AWAY WE'RE UNEXPECTEDLY CLOSE
I'M GOING TO THE STATION TOO
WHERE ARE YOU STAYING TONIGHT?

I HAD THOUGHT TO STAY AT MY BROTHER'S PLACE, BUT
HE SEEMS TO BE LIVING WITH HIS LOVER.
MAYBE I'LL STAY AT A HOTEL FOR THE NIGHT..
..OR MAYBE..

"SHINTAROU"
IS FINE
WOULD YOU LIKE TO STAY OVER AT MY PLACE, SUGAHARA?
stroke

NHH...H
HAAH...
HA-..
HAAH...
SHIN-TAROU...
HNN...AH
KISS
KISS
SUCK
Are they really twins?
Their personalities are too different...
HEY...

It makes me want to cherish him.
CAN I CALL YOU RYOUJI?
OF COURSE
RYOUJI...
DOES THIS FEEL GOOD?
YOURS FEELS REALLY GOOD ON MINE
NO, I HAVE TO
LET'S COME TOGETHER LIKE THIS
gucha
gucha

MAKE YOU MOAN MORE
WAIT - WAIT A MINUTE! IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE THE OTHER WAY!
I WANT TO

MAKE LOVE TO YOU.
—I'M NOT USED TO HAVING IT DONE TO ME
PLEASE BE GENTLE
tha-thump
tha-thump
I didn't realize that I still had these impulses in me.
LIFT

AH-..
juru
juru
HAAH
AHH..
N-..O..
MORE
AH-
AAH
...!!!
They have the same face, but they're completely different on the inside.
AHH-
HAAH..

How interesting...
drip
drip
DOES IT HURT? ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
I'M... OKAY
YOU FEEL HARD... AND HOT... INSIDE...
And we met just moments ago...

HEY, GIVE ME YOUR CONTACT INFO
This is my number
SURE
AND THIS IS THE SALON I'LL BE WORKING AT. PLEASE COME BY SOME-TIME
THANKS,
BUT I DON'T REALLY LIKE PLACES MEANT FOR THE YOUNGER CROWD
THE SALON'S NOT LIKE THAT. THERE'S A WIDE RANGE OF AGES THERE
YOU HAVE TO GO MOVE NOW, DON'T YOU?
CAN I HELP? I'VE GOT NO WORK TODAY ANYWAY.
THE MOVERS WILL TAKE CARE OF IT SO I'LL BE FINE.
..ALSO
WE JUST MET AND DON'T REALLY KNOW EACH OTHER YET...
THEN WE JUST HAVE TO GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER REALLY WELL AFTER THIS.

I'M SERIOUS
ARE YOU BEING SERIOUS?
OR WAS THAT A JOKE?
STILL, THOUGH, YOU TWO CERTAINLY DO LOOK EXACTLY THE SAME.
Though I wasn't mistaken you and Kouta-san for each other again
AND THIS FACE REALLY IS MY TYPE.
...
...

EH?! UH- WAIT!
I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOUR CALL!
Slam
UM...
THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME STAY
I HAVE TO GO
EH? YOU'RE LEAVING?
I'M NOT THE ONE WE LIKES MY BROTHER IS!
SP-CUS" MY ASS
pissed

Poor, lonely Ryouji
SHINTAROU HASN'T CONTACTED ME
IT'S BEEN THREE DAYS
ONE
TWO
WHY DON'T I TRY GIVING HIM A CALL
The number you have dialed is currently out of reach or not in service at this time...
AND I THOUGHT WE HAD GOOD CHEMISTRY BETWEEN US TOO
OR MAYBE HE'S REALLY BUSY AT HIS NEW WORK-PLACE?
AHA! THAT'S IT!

?
?
?
YOU HAVE A CALL
SUGAHARA!
HELLO?
WHY DON'T WE MEET UP TONIGHT?
!?
HI! IS THIS SHINTAROU? ♡
I wonder what the call's about ♪
Yeah, what's going on?
Stare
...I'M GOING TO HANG UP I'LL CALL YOU BACK...
WHY ARE YOU CALLING THE SALON?!
WOULD YOU HAVE ANSWERED IF I'D CALLED YOUR CELL PHONE?
Please don't use the salon number for private calls!
SORRY, I'VE GOT TO STEP OUT FOR A MINUTE
Okay♥
Go head♥

I WON'T BE SEEING YOU AGAIN. THE ONE YOU LIKE IS MY BROTHER, ISN'T IT?
I DON'T WANT TO BE KOUTAROU'S SUBSTITUTE AND IT WOULDN'T BE GOOD FOR YOU, EITHER
LET'S BOTH JUST FORGET ABOUT IT.
beep
I'd used him to stand in for Koutarou,
but that's not the way it turned out.

Now, all I want is to see you.
...?!
In just one night, my world has become filled with you, sir.
Asked for Shintarou, of course ♡
HEY!
...I understand.
JUST A LITTLE TRIM, PLEASE. I DON'T NEED A TRENDY CUT.
What would you like today?

PLEASE COME THIS WAY TO THE SHAMPOO STATION~
Please don't come again.
That's not what you normally say to a customer!
WELL, BUT FROM NOW ON I'LL COME HERE TO HAVE YOU CUT MY HAIR ANYWAY
I TOLD YOU OVER THE PHONE -- IT'S BEST THAT WE NOT SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN~

squeeze
YOU LOOKED REALLY GOOD WORKING
IT WAS WORTH COMING HERE
EVEN SO IF NOTHING ELSE...
I THINK THAT YOU'RE AT LEAST SOMEWHAT INTERESTED IN ME
COME OVER TONIGHT
WELL, I'LL BE WAITING
—I'LL GIVE UP.
I'LL WAIT UNTIL MIDNIGHT FOR YOU. IF YOU HAVEN'T COME BY THEN,

He'll definitely come...
No... maybe he won't.
What should I say if he comes?
"I've fallen for you"? That sounds kind of fake...
"I love you"? Coming from me, that wouldn't sound believable...
And if he doesn't come...?

ding dong
What should I do if he doesn't come...
Ah!
tap
tap
tap

I CAME...
AFTER ALL

RYOUJI, YOU'RE STILL IN YOUR SUIT
OH— I FORGOT TO CHANGE—
On that day,
happiness came gently down to me.
The END